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In re application of:

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DECISION ON PETITION

For: LEAD HAVING VARYING STIFFNESS AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THEREOF

This is a decision on the petition received January 3, 2002, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

Accordingly, this application became abandoned on March 23, 2001, by a retention request. Accompanied with four-months extension of time received from the attorney on March 27, 2001. A notice of abandonment was mailed on August 2, 2001

On April 27, 2001, the office received a communication from the attorney of record with a certificate of mailing dated March 22, 2001. Enclosed was the response to the Notice to File Missing Part mailed September 22, 2000, with one-month extension of time for a competition of 5-months extension of time to complete the filing requirements.

The petition is hereby GRANTED.

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The application has been completed for release to Technology Center 3737.

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